House File 2447 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2231)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to an assault of a pregnant person, and
- providing penalties.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

H.F. 2447

- 1 Section 1. Section 708.2, Code 2022, is amended by adding
- 2 the following new subsection:
- 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. A person who commits an assault, as
- 4 defined in section 708.1, against another person who the person
- 5 knows or reasonably should know is a pregnant person, is guilty
- 6 of a class "D" felony.
- 7 EXPLANATION
- 8 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
- 9 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 10 This bill relates to an assault of a pregnant person, and 11 provides penalties.
- 12 The bill provides that a person who commits an assault, as
- 13 defined in Code section 708.1, against another person who the
- 14 person knows or reasonably should know is a pregnant person, is
- 15 guilty of a class "D" felony. A class "D" felony is punishable
- 16 by confinement for no more than five years and a fine of at
- 17 least \$1,025 but not more than \$10,245.